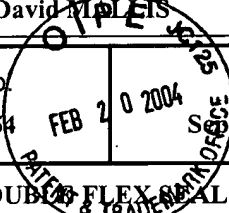

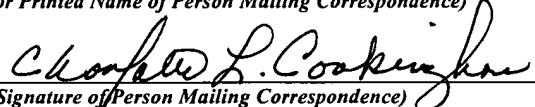
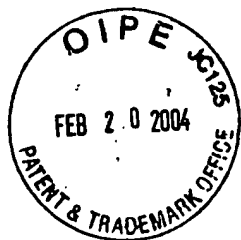


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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to consideration on the merits, please amend the application as follows and consider the included remarks.